The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently amended) A method for installing a file system ~~(26)~~ in a portable data carrier ~~(10)~~ that is provided with a processor core ~~(12)~~ and at least one memory ~~(14)~~, the method comprising the steps:

-        reading in of specification data ~~(SD)~~ that describe the file system ~~(26)~~ at least in part at ~~the~~ a semantic level,

-        interpreting the read-in specification data ~~(SD)~~ by the processor core ~~(12)~~, and

-        installing the file system ~~(26)~~ in accordance with the interpreted specification data ~~(SD)~~ in the at least one memory ~~(14)~~ of the data carrier ~~(10)~~.

2.   (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method in accordance with Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the specification data ~~(SD)~~ describe ~~the~~ a file structure of the file system ~~(26)~~ inclusive of file attributes.

3.   (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method in accordance with Claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the file attributes designate at least one of the following:

security settings, ~~and/or~~

protocol settings, and ~~and/or~~

user/group associations.

4.   (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method in accordance with ~~any one of Claims 1 to 3, characterized in that~~ Claim 1, wherein the specification data ~~(SD)~~ designate relations between files of the file system.

5.   (Currently amended) A ~~The~~ method in accordance with ~~any one of Claims 1 to~~
~~4, characterized in that~~ The method in accordance with Claim 1, wherein the specification data ~~(SD)~~ are given in at least one of
the following:

a textual format, ~~and/or~~

a portable format, and ~~and/or~~

an interoperative format.

6.   (Currently amended) A ~~The~~ method in accordance with ~~any one of Claims 1 to~~
~~5, characterized in that~~ Claim 1, wherein the specification data ~~(SD)~~ are given in XML ~~and/or~~
~~in an encoding in accordance with the encoding rules for ASN.1-defined data structures~~.

7.   (Currently amended) A ~~The~~ method in accordance with ~~any one of Claims 1 to~~
~~6, characterized in that~~ Claim 1, wherein the specification data ~~(SD)~~ are cryptographically
protected against at least one of manipulation ~~and/or~~ and spying.

8.   (Currently amended) A portable data carrier ~~(10), in particular a smart card or~~
~~a chip module~~, comprising a processor core ~~(12)~~ and at least one memory ~~(14)~~, the portable
data carrier ~~(10)~~ being adapted for ~~performing a method in accordance with any one of Claims~~
~~1 to 7~~ reading in specification data that describe a file system at least in part at a semantic
level, interpreting the read-in specification data by the processor core, and installing the file
system in accordance with the interpreted specification data in the at least one memory.

9.-10.   Canceled.

11.   (New) The method in accordance with Claim 1, wherein the specification data are given in an encoding in accordance with the encoding rules for ASN.1-defined data structures.

12.   (New) The portable data carrier in accordance with Claim 8, wherein the portable data carrier is at least one of a smart card and a chip module.

13.   (New) The portable data carrier in accordance with Claim 8, wherein the specification data describe a file structure of the file system inclusive of file attributes.

14.   (New) The portable data carrier in accordance with Claim 13, wherein the file attributes designate at least one of the following:

-    security settings,

-    protocol settings, and

-    user/group associations.

15.   (New) The portable data carrier in accordance with Claim 8, wherein the specification data are given in XML.

16.   (New) A device for initializing and/or personalizing a portable data carrier that comprises a processor core and at least one memory, the device being adapted for transferring to the portable data carrier specification data that at least partly describe at a semantic level a file system to be installed in the portable data carrier, the specification data being adapted for being interpreted by the processor core of the portable data carrier in order to install the file

system in accordance with the interpreted specification data in the at least one memory of the portable data carrier.

17. (New) The device in accordance with Claim 16, wherein the specification data describe a file structure of the file system inclusive of file attributes.

18. (New) The device in accordance with Claim 17, wherein the file attributes designate at least one of the following:

- security settings,

- protocol settings, and

- user/group associations.

19. (New) A computer-readable data carrier containing specification data that describe a file system at least in part at a semantic level, the specification data being designed to be read into a portable data carrier that comprises a processor core and at least one memory, the specification data further being designed to be interpreted by the processor core of the portable data carrier in order to install the file system in accordance with the interpreted specification data in the at least one memory of the portable data carrier.

20. (New) The computer-readable data carrier in accordance with Claim 19, wherein the specification data describe a file structure of the file system inclusive of file attributes.

21. (New) The computer-readable data carrier in accordance with Claim 20, wherein the file attributes designate at least one of the following:

- security settings,

- protocol settings, and

- user/group associations.

22. (New) The computer-readable data carrier in accordance with Claim 19, wherein the specification data are given in XML.